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SUBJ: MBFR: PARA 29 MEASURES

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1. AT FEB 25 SPC MEETING, CHAIRMAN AGAIN ASKED WHEN PROMISED
US CONTRIBUTION ON PARA 29 MEASURES WOULD BE AVAILABLE. WE
RESPONDED PER PARA 2 REFTEL, NOTING THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO MENTION
A SPECIFIC DATE AT THIS TIME.

2. COMMENT: SITUATION IS INCREASINGLY AWKWARD AS
A RESULT OF NOT HAVING A TIMELY CONTRIBUTION ON PARA 29 MEASURES.
WASHINGTON WILL RECALL THAT IN NAC AND SPC DISCUSSIONS
MISSION USED ASSURANCE IN STATE 29100 THAT US WOULD TABLE A PAPER
"VERY SHORTLY" ON THESE MEASURES, IN ORDER TO GAIN ALLIED
ACCEPTANCE OF INCLUDING THE GENERAL CONCEPTS OF THESE MEASURES IN
THE COUNCIL GUIDANCE TO THE AD HOC GROUP. MOREOVER, IN ORDER
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TO PROVIDE AGREED SUBSTANTIVE MATERIAL TO THE AD HOC GROUP ON
THESE MEASURES, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A TIMELY START IN NATO.
WE NOTE THAT THE FEB 21 FRG PRESENTATION ON STABILIZING
MEASURES PROMISED FULLER DISCUSSION OF THESE CONCEPTS AND

DETAILS ON STABILIZING MEASURES THEMSELVES (VIENNA 1502).

3. MISSION NOTES FROM REFTEL THAT PRINCIPAL DELAY IS NEED TO RESOLVE COVERAGE OF EQUIPMENT ISSUE. WE SUGGEST THAT WASHINGTON CONSIDER PROVIDING MISSION WITH ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE MATERIAL ON PARA 29 MEASURES FOR EARLY USE HERE. IF MATERIAL IS INCOMPLETE, WE COULD INFORM ALLIES FURTHER VIEWS ON SPECIFIC POINTS (EG., EQUIPMENT ISSUE) WOULD BE FORTHCOMING AT A LATER TIME. WASHINGTON FOLLOWED THIS PROCEDURE IN PROVIDING US VIEWS ON GROUND TRAINING AREAS, SEVERAL WEEKS FOLLOWING SUBMISSION OF BASIC NOVEMBER 12 PAPER ON PARA 23 STABILIZING MEASURES.
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